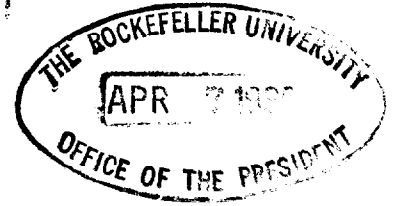


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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
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Dear Josh:

I write with a plea for advice. We are faced with some newly proposed guidelines for support grants from NCI. As you probably know we have always viewed that such grants could be abused and have therefore geared them solely for the support of peer reviewed investigators and their resources. We perceive that the magnitude of the change in our support that would result from the new guidelines would be disastrous. I have sent the enclosed letter to Bill Terry. I do not know whether there are other steps that should be taken and would greatly appreciate any comments you might have.

If you think it would be useful to discuss the matter directly I would be pleased to meet with you at the Rockefeller. I plan to be in New York City April 8-10 for other reasons, including a visit to Sloan-Kettering. ✓

Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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Alfred G. Knudson, Jr. ✓
Director

Dear Al - I'm sorry this came while I was away. I'm trying hard to get ^{across} the urgency of institutional continuity; and it is our own colleagues who squawk the loudest against anything but projects.
AGK:jd
Enclosure

I really don't have any role whatever on individual cases. Certainly any redirection of principle should make allowance for a graceful transition! Let me know next time you're by.
Josh.

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